

January 7, 2011

Ashley Carter  
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Federal Elections Commission  
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Dear Ms Carter:

The Mississippi Republican Party (C00084368) received the Federal Election Commission's request for additional information, dated December 3, 2010, regarding the committee's June Monthly Report (5/1/2010 - 5/31/2010).

The committee estimated the percentage of Federal contributions for the 2010 Pioneer Dinner would be 89% and the Non-Federal contributions as 11%. After the event was concluded the committee reviewed the actual contribution ratio for all funds raised for this event and found that the actual percentage of Federal dollars raised was only 67%, and the Non-Federal dollars was 33%. The committee noted in memo text on page 2 of this report that the expense ratio was being updated using the funds received method for the 2010 Pioneer Dinner. The campaigns software updated all expenses from the 2010 Pioneer Dinner with this new ratio and so any expenses made prior to this month were also updated with the new ratio. This change in the expense ratio reduced the total amount of federal expenses for the 2010 Pioneer Dinner by \$672.17 and increased the non-federal expenses by the same \$672.17. On the June monthly report Column b line 21a is \$672.17 less than the previous report's column b totals added to the June monthly report expenses, and column b line 21b is \$672.17 more than the previous report's column b total added to the June monthly report expenses. This change from Federal to Non-Federal share of expenses is due to the campaign software updating all the expenses not just the current monthly expenses for the 2010 Pioneer Dinner. This is why the total operating expenditures (21c) column b total was correct, because the total previous expenses didn't change only the allocation for any expenses from the dinner.

The second point of the request states that the revised ratio increases the federal share of expenses which is incorrect. After reviewing the actual fundraising totals the non federal portion was increased reducing the federal portion of the expenses. So nothing further is required concerning this point as the federal portion of the expenses were reduced not increased.

Sincerely,

Arnie Hederman  
Treasurer Mississippi Republican Party

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